

St Peter the Great County Parish Council

Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held on **Monday 23rd February 2009** at **7.45 pm in the Village Hall, St Peters.**

Present: Chairman; Cllr. R. McFarlane, Cllrs. Mrs. S. Winter, Mrs. J. Chown, Mr R. Knight, Mr. G. Rowe, Mr. R. Fowler, Rev D. Ballard,

Also attending; PC. K. Frankish, Mr D. Edgerton (Duckworth Trust), Mr Alex Haines, St Peter's Warden. Press Reporter. Two members of the public.

1109 Apologies for Absence: Cllr. Mr. P. Thorlby, Cllr. A. White-Bower, County Cllr. Mr. M Cairns.

1209 Declarations of Interest: There were no declarations.

1309 Adoption of Minutes: The minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 26th January 2009 were adopted and signed with the deletion of the name of Cllr. G. Rowe from the list of those attending, who was correctly listed as apologising.

1409 Chairman Report:

- (a) The Chairman gave a brief verbal report to Council in respect of the latest situation regarding the Village Hall which confirmed that, at present, the continuation of the lease facilities remains unclear. City Cllr. Knight informed Council that there were ongoing negotiations between the City Council and Tesco regarding the need for a lease renewal and that failing a satisfactory outcome, the purchase of the freehold would be considered as an alternative.
- (b) The Chairman's verbal report on the latest situation regarding the Youth Group outlined the renewed attempts to re-organise the Group on a proper footing. To this end accounts, inventories and membership lists were awaited.

1509 Short Information Reports:

- (a) Council formally received a report from the Police Beat Manager, mainly in respect of the recent anti social behaviour on the part of a minority of youth, not necessarily locals, who had been causing serious problems for the local Doctor's practice and for the patients attending. Windows had been broken and elderly patients intimidated by several of these youths. Concerns were expressed regarding the reckless riding of mopeds by a few young people and for the graffiti which continues unabated at Lloyds Chemists. Suitable measures to deal with these problems were considered, which the Beat Manager agreed to pursue.
- (b) Council received a written and a verbal report from the St Peter's Warden, A small number of mundane issues were addressed. He informed Council that the railings, required for Health and safety reasons, at the Sub Station end of Power Park would be in place before the end of the current financial year end. It was also confirmed that the fly tipping problems on Power Park were being dealt with. The Chairman thanked Mr Haines for his work and support.
- (c) Cllr. R. Knight reported the latest position regarding flood relief work on Power Park and other measures being processed outside the City council boundary near Broomhall Green. He also updated Council regarding the pedestrian, light controlled crossing in Bath Road, explaining the shortcomings which had created a long delay in the operational completion.

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1609 Accounts, Financial Matters and Administration:

- (a) Council agreed payment of the following accounts as presented and displayed at the meeting:
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| HMCR, PAYE deductions..... | £ 153.38 |
| St Peter's Village Hall, grant in lieu of room hire..... | £1000.00 |
| Pershore Print, print Newslink..... | £1750.00 |
- (b) The Clerk provided Members with all urgent correspondence and administrative items. Council resolved to cancel the April ordinary meeting to provide Members with a training session by the attendance of Council at a conference on the evening of 27th April at County Hall. The Clerk was asked to provide Members with the details nearer the date.
- (c) The Clerk reported that the current issue of Newslink was probably the best yet, with much greater content than previously. As a result the cost had been £1950 including distribution, whilst advertising revenue had not increased above £1300 in some extent due to the economic downturn.
- (d) The Clerk agreed to detail any outstanding urgent matter requiring decision and to include it on the agenda of the next meeting. It was provisionally agreed that the Chairman, Cllr. Rev. D. Ballard and Cllr R. Knight would meet to address any other outstanding matters, provisionally on 23rd March, to be confirmed.

1709 Date of Next Council Meeting:

Proposed Monday 30th March 2009, at 7.45pm in the Village Hall, St Peter's.

Signed.....Chairman

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